



## Deaths in Custody Statistical Tables




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This site contains a series of data tables describing recent trends in mortality in State prison, local jails and State juvenile correctional facilities. Data are presented over time, by jurisdiction and by demographic groups. The mortality data are from the BJS Deaths in Custody Reporting Program (DCRP), which was launched in 2000 to implement the Death in Custody Reporting Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-297).

BJS phased in implementation of the Act over a four-year period. Data collection on deaths in local jail facilities began in 2000, followed by collection from State prison authorities in 2001. In 2002 BJS began collecting records of deaths from all State juvenile correctional systems. These collections involved individual-level reports of each death, as opposed to aggregated counts.

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### [Medical Causes of Death in State Prisons, 2001-2004](#)

(January 2007, NCJ 216340)

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### [Suicide and Homicide in State Prisons and Local Jails](#)

(August 2005, NCJ 210036)

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Cause of death	Number of State prisoner deaths					
	2001-2005	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>All causes</b>	15,308	2,878	2,946	3,167	3,138	3,179
<b>Illness</b>	12,630	2,303	2,379	2,633	2,645	2,670
<b>AIDS</b>	1,023	270	245	210	145	153
<b>Suicide</b>	952	169	168	200	200	215
<b>Homicide</b>	244	39	48	50	51	56
<b>Drug/alcohol intoxication</b>	156	36	37	23	23	37
<b>Accident</b>	147	23	31	26	37	30
<b>Other/unknown</b>	156	38	38	25	37	18

Note: Executions are not included; for data on executions, see [Capital Punishment, 2005](#).

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Cause of death	Percent of State prisoner deaths					
	2001-2005	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>All causes</b>	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
<b>Illness</b>	82.5 %	80.0 %	80.8 %	83.1 %	84.3 %	84.0 %
<b>AIDS</b>	6.7	9.4	8.3	6.6	4.6	4.8
<b>Suicide</b>	6.2	5.9	5.7	6.3	6.4	6.8
<b>Homicide</b>	1.6	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.7
<b>Drug/alcohol intoxication</b>	1.0	1.3	1.3	0.7	0.7	1.2
<b>Accident</b>	1.0	0.8	1.1	0.8	1.2	0.9
<b>Other/unknown</b>	1.0	1.3	1.3	0.8	1.2	0.6

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Cause of death	Average annual mortality rate per 100,000 State Prisoners, 2001-2005	Mortality rate, per 100,000 State prisoners				
		2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>All causes</b>	251	242	246	258	253	254
<b>Illness</b>	207	194	198	215	213	213
<b>AIDS</b>	17	23	20	17	12	12
<b>Suicide</b>	16	14	14	16	16	17
<b>Homicide</b>	4	3	4	4	4	4
<b>Drug/alcohol intoxication</b>	3	3	3	2	2	3
<b>Accident</b>	2	2	3	2	3	2
<b>Other/unknown</b>	3	3	3	2	3	1

Note: Mortality rates are based on the June 30 State prison custody population count, collected in the National Prisoner Statistics (NPS) program. Executions are not included; for data on executions, see [Capital Punishment, 2005](#).

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Characteristic	Number of State prisoner deaths					
	2001-2005	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Total</b>	15,308	2,878	2,946	3,167	3,138	3,179
<b>Gender</b>						
<b>Male</b>	14,660	2,773	2,811	3,039	3,001	3,036
<b>Female</b>	621	100	115	126	137	143
<b>Race/Hispanic origin</b>						
<b>White, non-Hispanic</b>	7,507	1,343	1,393	1,597	1,552	1,622
<b>Black, non-Hispanic</b>	5,864	1,159	1,151	1,205	1,187	1,162
<b>Hispanic</b>	1,620	314	330	311	330	335
<b>Other/Multiple races</b>	262	52	46	45	68	51
<b>Age</b>						
<b>Under 18</b>	8	2	1	3	1	1
<b>18-24</b>	371	86	62	58	85	80
<b>25-34</b>	1,278	256	243	278	256	245
<b>35-44</b>	3,213	656	663	669	624	601
<b>45-54</b>	4,766	896	909	983	966	1,012
<b>55 or older</b>	5,632	972	1,047	1,171	1,204	1,238

Note: Detail may not sum to totals due to missing data. Executions are not included; for data on executions, see [Capital Punishment, 2005](#).

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Characteristic	Percent of State prisoner deaths, by selected characteristics					
	2001-2005	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Total</b>	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
<b>Gender</b>						
<b>Male</b>	95.9 %	96.5 %	96.1 %	96.0 %	95.6 %	95.5 %
<b>Female</b>	4.1	3.5	3.9	4.0	4.4	4.5
<b>Race/Hispanic origin</b>						
<b>White, non-Hispanic</b>	49.2 %	46.8 %	47.7 %	50.6 %	49.5 %	51.2 %
<b>Black, non-Hispanic</b>	38.4	40.4	39.4	38.2	37.8	36.7
<b>Hispanic</b>	10.6	10.9	11.3	9.8	10.5	10.6
<b>Other/multiple races</b>	1.7	1.8	1.6	1.4	2.2	1.6
<b>Age</b>						
<b>Under 18</b>	0.1 %	0.1 %	0.0 %	0.1 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
<b>18-24</b>	2.4	3.0	2.1	1.8	2.7	2.5
<b>25-34</b>	8.4	8.9	8.3	8.8	8.2	7.7
<b>35-44</b>	21.0	22.9	22.7	21.2	19.9	18.9
<b>45-54</b>	31.2	31.2	31.1	31.1	30.8	31.9
<b>55 or older</b>	36.9	33.9	35.8	37.0	38.4	39.0

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Characteristic	Average annual mortality rate per 100,000 State prisoners, 2001-2005	Mortality rate per 100,000 State prisoners				
		2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Total</b>	251	242	246	258	253	254
<b>Gender</b>						
<b>Male</b>	257	250	251	266	260	261
<b>Female</b>	151	129	146	153	163	164
<b>Race/Hispanic origin</b>						
<b>White, non-Hispanic</b>	346	327	324	366	352	364
<b>Black, non-Hispanic</b>	203	206	206	207	202	195
<b>Hispanic</b>	199	241	246	164	172	173
<b>Age</b>						
<b>Under 18</b>	69	70	33	122	40	80
<b>18-24</b>	34	39	29	27	39	37
<b>25-34</b>	63	63	61	68	62	59
<b>35-44</b>	175	181	183	184	169	157
<b>45-54</b>	562	585	555	557	541	573
<b>55 or older</b>	2,020	2,031	1,992	2,033	2,066	1,977

Note: State prison rates are per 100,000 inmates held in State prison custody on June 30. Prisoner demographic subgroups are estimated based on the June 30 National Prisoner Statistics (NPS) custody counts, demographic data from the National Corrections Reporting Program (2001-2004), and the 2004 Survey of Inmates in State Correctional Facilities (2003-2005). Executions are not included; for data on executions, see [Capital Punishment, 2005](#).

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Total number of State prisoner deaths							
Region	2001-2005	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	
<b>All States*</b>	15,384	2,878	2,946	3,167	3,138	3,255	
<b>Northeast</b>	2,306	439	448	492	453	474	
Connecticut	170	30	30	36	34	40	
Maine	19	6	7	2	4	0	
Massachusetts	141	29	20	30	25	37	
New Hampshire	31	2	9	6	6	8	
New Jersey	309	69	60	60	59	61	
New York	883	175	185	198	154	171	
Pennsylvania	707	122	126	147	163	149	
Rhode Island	28	3	8	8	7	2	
Vermont	18	3	3	5	1	6	
<b>Midwest</b>	2,737	525	532	538	600	542	
Illinois	410	86	72	80	99	73	
Indiana	254	47	50	56	56	45	
Iowa	67	9	11	13	15	19	
Kansas	124	21	22	32	30	19	
Michigan	632	114	113	127	138	140	
Minnesota	60	13	15	13	6	13	
Missouri	335	57	65	66	77	70	
Nebraska	37	7	8	7	7	8	
North Dakota	7	3	1	1	1	1	
Ohio	567	115	114	91	126	121	
South Dakota	35	4	11	11	5	4	
Wisconsin	209	49	50	41	40	29	
<b>South</b>	7,193	1,370	1,347	1,532	1,461	1,483	
Alabama	395	87	85	92	65	66	
Arkansas	184	42	31	38	35	38	
Delaware	82	16	15	19	13	19	
Florida	1,057	182	183	221	227	244	
Georgia	537	93	106	126	90	122	
Kentucky	207	36	41	45	42	43	
Louisiana	403	72	78	70	94	89	
Maryland	344	70	71	67	79	57	
Mississippi	244	36	33	58	53	64	
North Carolina	367	67	61	74	95	70	
Oklahoma	314	51	64	71	53	75	
South Carolina	304	71	45	63	50	75	
Tennessee	356	51	61	97	71	76	
Texas	1,933	408	396	383	395	351	
Virginia	403	71	69	93	86	84	
West Virginia	63	17	8	15	13	10	
<b>West</b>	3,061	533	619	605	624	680	

<b>Alaska</b>	38	8	14	4	8	4
<b>Arizona</b>	367	65	74	84	66	78
<b>California</b>	1,672	288	337	333	348	366
<b>Colorado</b>	234	43	51	47	39	54
<b>Hawaii</b>	44	7	13	8	8	8
<b>Idaho</b>	63	17	9	12	12	13
<b>Montana</b>	47	6	5	12	12	12
<b>Nevada</b>	136	27	25	24	31	29
<b>New Mexico</b>	71	11	15	11	16	18
<b>Oregon</b>	153	24	33	25	34	37
<b>Utah</b>	41	3	9	10	11	8
<b>Washington</b>	175	29	31	33	37	45
<b>Wyoming</b>	20	5	3	2	2	8

Note: The District of Columbia transferred custody of Prison operations to the Federal Bureau of Prisons in 2001.

\*Includes 9 prisoner deaths reported by the District of Columbia in 2001. Executions are not included; for data on executions, see [Capital Punishment, 2005](#).

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Region	Average annual mortality rate per 100,000 State prisoners, 2001-2005	Mortality rate per 100,000 State prisoners				
		2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>All States</b>	251	242	246	258	253	254
<b>Northeast</b>	269	255	258	287	266	279
Connecticut	180	167	157	187	181	210
Maine	209	355	385	102	201	0
Massachusetts	278	278	199	298	249	364
New Hampshire	253	86	363	242	247	326
New Jersey	227	241	208	228	224	231
New York	267	252	275	300	238	270
Pennsylvania	357	333	321	363	406	363
Rhode Island	159	90	221	226	200	59
Vermont	227	216	218	349	49	304
<b>Midwest</b>	225	221	222	220	245	218
Illinois	185	188	167	185	223	163
Indiana	242	242	250	265	256	197
Iowa	159	111	135	155	174	221
Kansas	277	246	251	354	327	210
Michigan	258	236	226	256	284	286
Minnesota	168	208	223	178	77	155
Missouri	224	202	218	218	256	226
Nebraska	182	181	200	169	173	186
North Dakota	126	296	87	88	82	74
Ohio	253	254	254	200	285	273
South Dakota	232	150	373	363	158	118
Wisconsin	199	246	244	188	181	133
<b>South</b>	273	272	262	289	271	273
Alabama	307	365	318	333	261	257
Arkansas	311	378	266	334	277	302
Delaware	238	225	220	280	192	275
Florida	270	253	249	286	277	287
Georgia	228	205	228	268	185	256
Kentucky	333	313	337	354	336	324
Louisiana	410	369	394	354	480	454
Maryland	289	293	293	278	333	246
Mississippi	309	242	214	365	334	388
North Carolina	215	211	184	220	270	191
Oklahoma	281	232	288	326	235	326
South Carolina	269	331	203	270	214	325
Tennessee	378	290	343	501	365	391
Texas	254	278	268	247	253	224
Virginia	260	231	223	299	277	271

<b>West Virginia</b>	337	489	225	392	326	252
<b>West</b>	219	197	228	217	218	235
<b>Alaska</b>	176	192	333	90	179	87
<b>Arizona</b>	244	240	254	275	212	240
<b>California</b>	207	178	213	207	213	223
<b>Colorado</b>	251	252	284	252	198	266
<b>Hawaii</b>	165	137	252	151	146	140
<b>Idaho</b>	223	323	163	214	204	212
<b>Montana</b>	352	227	171	420	490	451
<b>Nevada</b>	259	271	248	236	280	260
<b>New Mexico</b>	230	191	252	179	252	274
<b>Oregon</b>	257	226	291	210	268	290
<b>Utah</b>	186	73	219	227	242	168
<b>Washington</b>	215	189	194	204	218	272
<b>Wyoming</b>	234	329	191	126	115	407

Note: State prison rates are per 100,000 inmates held in custody on June 30. Executions are not included; for data on executions, see [Capital Punishment, 2005](#).

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Characteristic	Number of State prisoner deaths, by cause of death						
	Illness	AIDS	Suicide	Homicide	Drug/alcohol intoxication	Accident	Other/unknown
<b>Total</b>	12,653	1,023	952	244	156	147	133
<b>Gender</b>							
<b>Male</b>	12,121	976	907	241	152	141	122
<b>Female</b>	509	47	44	3	4	6	8
<b>Race/Hispanic origin</b>							
<b>White, non-Hispanic</b>	6,427	200	551	106	84	82	57
<b>Black, non-Hispanic</b>	4,747	690	213	84	31	43	56
<b>Hispanic</b>	1,244	122	148	47	33	16	10
<b>Other/multiple races</b>	164	10	37	6	7	6	6
<b>Age</b>							
<b>Under 18</b>	1		5	1	0	1	0
<b>18-24</b>	135	7	164	34	10	15	6
<b>25-34</b>	627	153	320	72	50	32	24
<b>35-44</b>	2,221	487	286	77	53	47	42
<b>45-54</b>	4,189	310	133	41	35	33	25
<b>55 or older</b>	5,445	66	44	19	8	19	31

Note: Detail may not sum to totals due to missing data. Executions are not included; for data on executions, see [Capital Punishment, 2005](#).

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Characteristic	Illness	AIDS	Suicide	Homicide	Drug/alcohol intoxication	Accident	Other/ unknown
<b>Total</b>	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
<b>Gender</b>							
<b>Male</b>	96.0 %	95.4 %	95.4 %	98.8 %	97.4 %	95.9 %	93.8 %
<b>Female</b>	4.0	4.6	4.6	1.2	2.6	4.1	6.2
<b>Race/Hispanic origin</b>							
<b>White, non-Hispanic</b>	51.1 %	19.6 %	58.1 %	43.6 %	54.2 %	55.8 %	44.2 %
<b>Black, non-Hispanic</b>	37.7	67.5	22.4	34.6	20.0	29.3	43.4
<b>Hispanic</b>	9.9	11.9	15.6	19.3	21.3	10.9	7.8
<b>Other/multiple races</b>	1.3	1.0	3.9	2.5	4.5	4.1	4.7
<b>Age</b>							
<b>Under 18</b>	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.5 %	0.4 %	0.0 %	0.7 %	0.0 %
<b>18-24</b>	1.1	0.7	17.2	13.9	6.4	10.2	4.7
<b>25-34</b>	5.0	15	33.6	29.5	32.1	21.8	18.8
<b>35-44</b>	17.6	47.6	30.0	31.6	34.0	32.0	32.8
<b>45-54</b>	33.2	30.3	14.0	16.8	22.4	22.4	19.5
<b>55 or older</b>	43.2	6.5	4.6	7.8	5.1	12.9	24.2

Note: Executions are not included; for data on executions, see [Capital Punishment, 2005](#).Source: [Deaths in Custody Reporting Program](#).See also [Methodology](#)[Previous](#)[Next](#)[BJS home page | Top of this page](#)

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Characteristic	Average annual mortality rate per 100,000 State prisoners, 2001-2005						
	Illness	AIDS	Suicide	Homicide	Drug/alcohol intoxication	Accident	Other/unknown
<b>All deaths</b>	206	17	16	4	3	2	2
<b>Gender</b>							
<b>Male</b>	213	17	16	4	3	2	2
<b>Female</b>	124	12	11	1	1	1	2
<b>Race/Hispanic origin</b>							
<b>White, non-Hispanic</b>	296	9	25	5	4	4	3
<b>Black, non-Hispanic</b>	164	24	7	3	1	1	2
<b>Hispanic</b>	152	16	18	6	4	2	1
<b>Age</b>							
<b>Under 18</b>	8	0	45	8	0	8	0
<b>18-24</b>	12	1	15	3	1	1	1
<b>25-34</b>	31	8	16	4	2	2	1
<b>35-44</b>	121	27	16	4	3	3	2
<b>45-54</b>	494	37	16	5	4	4	3
<b>55 or older</b>	1,952	24	16	7	3	7	11

Note: State prison rates are per 100,000 inmates held in custody on June 30.

Prisoner demographic subgroups are estimated based on the June 30 National Prisoner Statistics (NPS) custody counts, demographic data from the National Corrections Reporting Program (2001-2004), and the 2004 Survey of Inmates in State Correctional Facilities (2003-2005). Executions are not included; for data on executions, see [Capital Punishment, 2005](#).Source: [Deaths in Custody Reporting Program](#).See also [Methodology](#)[Previous](#)[Next](#)[BJS home page | Top of this page](#)

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Cause of death	Number of local jail inmate deaths						
	2000-2005	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>All causes</b>	5,935	912	953	978	1,003	1,033	1,056
<b>Illness</b>	2,764	462	432	459	458	487	466
<b>AIDS</b>	315	60	59	50	54	52	40
<b>Suicide</b>	1,802	289	315	314	296	301	287
<b>Drug/alcohol intoxication</b>	401	37	58	54	90	77	85
<b>Accident</b>	180	25	35	35	27	32	26
<b>Homicide</b>	118	17	22	20	14	23	22
<b>Other/unknown</b>	355	22	32	46	64	61	130

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Cause of death	Percent of local jail inmate deaths						
	2000-2005	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>All causes</b>	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
<b>Illness</b>	46.6 %	50.7 %	45.3 %	46.9 %	45.7 %	47.1 %	44.1 %
<b>AIDS</b>	5.3	6.6	6.2	5.1	5.4	5.0	3.8
<b>Suicide</b>	30.4	31.7	33.1	32.1	29.5	29.1	27.2
<b>Drug/alcohol intoxication</b>	6.7	4.1	6.1	5.5	9.0	7.5	8.0
<b>Accident</b>	3.0	2.7	3.7	3.6	2.7	3.1	2.5
<b>Homicide</b>	2.0	1.9	2.3	2.0	1.4	2.2	2.1
<b>Other/unknown</b>	5.8	2.4	3.4	4.7	6.4	5.9	12.3

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Cause of death	Average annual mortality rate per 100,000 local jail inmates, 2000-2005	Mortality rate per 100,000 jail inmates					
		2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>All causes</b>	146	147	151	147	145	145	141
<b>Illness</b>	68	74	68	69	66	68	62
<b>AIDS</b>	8	10	9	8	8	7	5
<b>Suicide</b>	45	47	50	47	43	42	38
<b>Drug/alcohol intoxication</b>	10	6	9	8	13	11	11
<b>Accident</b>	4	4	6	5	4	4	3
<b>Homicide</b>	3	3	3	3	2	3	3
<b>Other/unknown</b>	9	4	5	7	9	9	17

Note: Mortality rates are based on average daily population.

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Characteristic	Number of local jail inmate deaths						
	2000-2005	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Total</b>	5,935	912	953	978	1,003	1,033	1,056
<b>Gender</b>							
<b>Male</b>	5,252	821	857	871	867	900	936
<b>Female</b>	673	91	91	107	133	131	120
<b>Race/Hispanic origin</b>							
<b>White, non-Hispanic</b>	3,118	453	518	539	538	508	562
<b>Black, non-Hispanic</b>	1,932	313	289	306	324	363	337
<b>Hispanic</b>	723	118	116	115	120	135	119
<b>Other/multiple races</b>	123	17	24	18	16	24	24
<b>Age</b>							
<b>Under 18</b>	63	8	22	18	4	7	4
<b>18-24</b>	640	89	110	124	104	105	108
<b>25-34</b>	1,230	186	197	226	213	213	195
<b>35-44</b>	1,765	267	301	328	281	300	288
<b>45-54</b>	1,479	241	223	203	266	268	277
<b>55 or older</b>	722	117	97	77	127	135	169

Note: Detail may not sum to total due to missing data.

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Characteristic	Percent of local jail inmate deaths, 2000-2005						
	2000-2005	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Total</b>	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
<b>Gender</b>							
<b>Male</b>	88.6 %	90.0 %	90.4 %	89.1 %	86.7 %	87.3 %	88.6 %
<b>Female</b>	11.4	10.0	9.6	10.9	13.3	12.7	11.4
<b>Race/Hispanic origin</b>							
<b>White, non-Hispanic</b>	52.9 %	50.3 %	54.7 %	55.1 %	53.9 %	49.3 %	54.0 %
<b>Black, non-Hispanic</b>	32.8	34.7	30.5	31.3	32.5	35.2	32.3
<b>Hispanic</b>	12.3	13.1	12.2	11.8	12.0	13.1	11.4
<b>Other/multiple races</b>	2.1	1.9	2.5	1.8	1.6	2.3	2.3
<b>Age</b>							
<b>Under 18</b>	1.1 %	0.9 %	2.3 %	1.8 %	0.4 %	0.7 %	0.4 %
<b>18-24</b>	10.8	9.8	11.6	12.7	10.5	10.2	10.4
<b>25-34</b>	20.8	20.5	20.7	23.2	21.4	20.7	18.7
<b>35-44</b>	29.9	29.4	31.7	33.6	28.2	29.2	27.7
<b>45-54</b>	25.1	26.5	23.5	20.8	26.7	26.1	26.6
<b>55 or older</b>	12.2	12.9	10.2	7.9	12.8	13.1	16.2

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Characteristic	Average annual mortality rate per 100,000 local jail inmates, 2000-2005	Mortality rate per 100,000 local jail inmates					
		2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Total</b>	146	147	151	147	145	145	141
<b>Gender</b>							
<b>Male</b>	147	150	154	148	142	144	143
<b>Female</b>	138	126	124	139	162	150	126
<b>Race/Hispanic origin</b>							
<b>White, non-Hispanic</b>	194	203	228	225	179	160	170
<b>Black, non-Hispanic</b>	120	126	114	115	120	132	116
<b>Hispanic</b>	106	103	99	93	113	125	106
<b>Age</b>							
<b>Under 18</b>	89	72	194	150	32	54	30
<b>18-24</b>	56	51	62	66	54	52	51
<b>25-34</b>	95	94	98	106	97	94	82
<b>35-44</b>	167	165	183	190	156	162	148
<b>45-54</b>	363	388	353	305	385	375	371
<b>55 or older</b>	800	856	698	526	835	859	1,028

Note: Jail inmate mortality rates are per 100,000 inmates held, based on average daily population (ADP). Inmate populations of various demographic subgroups are estimates based on the Annual Survey of Jails and the 2002 Survey of Inmates in Local Jails.

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Jurisdiction	Number of local jail inmate deaths						
	2000-2005	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>All jurisdictions</b>	2,116	337	339	360	343	363	374
<b>Los Angeles, CA</b>	199	35	37	33	28	23	43
<b>New York City, NY</b>	184	38	37	24	30	25	30
<b>Cook County, IL</b>	94	22	14	12	8	24	14
<b>Maricopa County, AZ</b>	66	10	7	14	8	9	18
<b>Philadelphia City, PA</b>	97	14	14	13	13	22	21
<b>Dade County, FL</b>	89	14	16	16	16	13	14
<b>Harris County, TX</b>	90	13	17	22	17	12	9
<b>Dallas County, TX</b>	62	7	6	16	13	12	8
<b>Orleans Parish, LA</b>	39	6	4	4	7	8	10
<b>Broward County, FL</b>	49	11	12	6	7	5	8
<b>San Bernardino County, CA</b>	34	3	4	7	6	4	10
<b>San Diego County, CA</b>	61	7	10	6	9	14	15
<b>Shelby County, TN</b>	48	7	8	7	6	9	11
<b>Orange County, CA</b>	20	3	1	2	6	3	5
<b>Santa Clara County, CA</b>	30	4	3	7	5	3	8
<b>Alameda County, CA</b>	52	10	6	13	12	7	4
<b>Orange County, FL</b>	21	6	4	5	1	2	3
<b>Bexar County, TX</b>	62	6	10	10	14	13	9
<b>Baltimore City, MD</b>	66	11	10	18	9	9	9
<b>Hillsborough County, FL</b>	26	8	3	5	2	6	2
<b>Sacramento County, CA</b>	46	2	7	11	7	6	13
<b>Riverside County, CA</b>	20	2	2	4	2	4	6
<b>Tarrant County, TX</b>	25	6	3	1	3	10	2
<b>Milwaukee County, WI</b>	18	0	5	2	2	6	3
<b>Jacksonville City, FL</b>	46	7	12	11	6	3	7
<b>Pinellas County, FL</b>	28	5	5	4	7	4	3
<b>Davidson County, TN</b>	50	7	8	9	6	10	10
<b>Clark County, NV</b>	31	8	9	4	3	1	6
<b>Fulton County, GA</b>	14	4	0	5	5	0	0
<b>King County, WA</b>	14	/	0	3	5	3	3
<b>Wayne County, MI</b>	26	6	7	4	4	0	5
<b>DeKalb County, GA</b>	22	2	4	1	4	7	4
<b>Palm Beach County, FL</b>	25	5	6	2	5	4	3
<b>Kern County, CA</b>	19	3	3	2	2	6	3
<b>Travis County, TX</b>	19	4	4	3	2	3	3
<b>Franklin County, OH</b>	17	3	2	5	3	2	2
<b>Allegheny County, PA</b>	35	3	6	7	6	5	8
<b>Marion County, IN</b>	24	7	5	3	6	1	2
<b>Essex County, NJ</b>	39	3	5	4	14	9	4
<b>Suffolk County, MA</b>	6	0	2	0	1	2	1

<b>El Paso County, TX</b>	24	5	1	4	2	7	5
<b>Fresno County, CA</b>	27	5	3	6	4	8	1
<b>Oklahoma County, OK</b>	22	0	5	2	5	5	5
<b>Cobb County, GA</b>	13	1	0	4	0	7	1
<b>Cuyahoga County, OH</b>	11	4	2	1	1	2	1
<b>Hamilton County, OH</b>	23	3	4	4	5	3	4
<b>Hudson County, NJ</b>	40	3	3	5	8	11	10
<b>San Francisco City/Co., CA</b>	19	3	3	3	1	3	6
<b>York County, PA</b>	19	1	0	3	5	8	2
<b>Mecklenburg County, NC</b>	5	0	0	3	2	0	0

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	Average annual mortality rate per 100,000 local jail inmates, 2000-2005	Mortality rate per 100,000 local jail inmates					
Jurisdiction		2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Total	166	162	165	173	161	168	170
Los Angeles, CA	173	178	191	171	132	124	240
New York City, NY	214	245	255	172	206	182	221
Cook County, IL	152	224	137	110	74	228	136
Maricopa County, AZ	138	150	99	175	99	104	199
Philadelphia City, PA	227	216	199	180	199	298	273
Dade County, FL	222	204	250	240	233	196	208
Harris County, TX	201	158	239	331	233	146	100
Dallas County, TX	151	96	96	244	191	169	110
Orleans Parish, LA	108	94	68	68	115	135	169
Broward County, FL	163	229	253	117	141	96	146
San Bernardino County, CA	107	59	75	141	112	75	178
San Diego County, CA	200	132	204	123	182	271	286
Shelby County, TN	158	121	155	145	128	185	217
Orange County, CA	64	62	21	44	118	54	82
Santa Clara County, CA	121	92	73	179	129	72	179
Alameda County, CA	218	236	156	335	313	173	99
Orange County, FL	89	145	96	132	26	58	79
Bexar County, TX	284	168	293	275	389	344	233
Baltimore City, MD	302	345	304	495	236	209	225
Hillsborough County, FL	117	239	86	143	53	141	43
Sacramento County, CA	212	66	218	334	193	150	310
Riverside County, CA	108	78	76	122	62	124	185
Tarrant County, TX	119	158	86	32	88	291	60
Milwaukee County, WI	93	0	145	64	62	177	107
Jacksonville City, FL	252	256	397	371	197	88	203
Pinellas County, FL	162	200	183	139	238	130	83
Davidson County, TN	284	251	306	315	204	311	320
Clark County, NV	196	336	355	146	117	34	187
Fulton County, GA	85	133	0	182	193	0	0
King County, WA	113	/	0	111	208	125	119
Wayne County, MI	162	214	261	148	153	0	192
DeKalb County, GA	131	68	127	38	145	269	142

<b>Palm Beach County, FL</b>	164	195	255	77	202	145	108
<b>Kern County, CA</b>	135	118	114	78	90	274	136
<b>Travis County, TX</b>	123	156	150	118	81	125	109
<b>Franklin County, OH</b>	115	139	88	199	112	75	74
<b>Allegheny County, PA</b>	220	131	209	283	229	183	284
<b>Marion County, IN</b>	166	289	245	122	216	40	83
<b>Essex County, NJ</b>	276	169	208	163	519	391	205
<b>Suffolk County, MA</b>	41	0	87	0	41	79	39
<b>El Paso County, TX</b>	178	250	47	167	84	292	229
<b>Fresno County, CA</b>	178	222	128	264	151	268	33
<b>Oklahoma County, OK</b>	160	0	268	89	197	189	214
<b>Cobb County, GA</b>	95	49	0	182	0	299	41
<b>Cuyahoga County, OH</b>	92	202	100	47	50	104	51
<b>Hamilton County, OH</b>	181	143	202	200	235	134	172
<b>Hudson County, NJ</b>	347	161	185	254	403	537	541
<b>San Francisco City/Co., CA</b>	167	141	168	154	50	165	328
<b>York County, PA</b>	169	64	0	155	252	436	109
<b>Mecklenburg County, NC</b>	43	0	0	157	101	0	0

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**Table 9. Number of local jail inmate deaths, by cause of death and selected characteristics, 2000-2005**

Characteristic	Number of local jail inmate deaths, by cause of death						
	Illness	AIDS	Suicide	Drug/alcohol intoxication	Accident	Homicide	Other/unknown
<b>Total</b>	2,764	315	1,802	401	180	118	355
<b>Gender</b>							
<b>Male</b>	2,422	283	1,652	316	163	115	301
<b>Female</b>	340	32	147	84	17	3	50
<b>Race/Hispanic origin</b>							
<b>White, non-Hispanic</b>	1,229	48	1,258	256	111	48	168
<b>Black, non-Hispanic</b>	1,145	221	257	90	47	44	128
<b>Hispanic</b>	326	43	224	48	17	24	41
<b>Other/multiple races</b>	44	3	58	5	5	1	3
<b>Age</b>							
<b>Under 18</b>	7	1	46	3	2	1	3
<b>18-24</b>	96	11	389	54	23	30	37
<b>25-34</b>	328	76	569	128	46	20	63
<b>35-44</b>	785	137	523	127	56	34	103
<b>45-54</b>	966	74	211	76	42	22	87
<b>55 or older</b>	570	16	59	10	11	10	46

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Characteristic	Percent of local jail inmate deaths, by cause of death, 2000-2005						
	Illness	AIDS	Suicide	Drug/alcohol intoxication	Accident	Homicide	Other/unknown
<b>Total</b>	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
<b>Gender</b>							
<b>Male</b>	87.7 %	89.8 %	91.8 %	79.0 %	90.6 %	97.5 %	85.8 %
<b>Female</b>	12.3	10.2	8.2	21.0	9.4	2.5	14.2
<b>Race/Hispanic origin</b>							
<b>White, non-Hispanic</b>	44.8 %	15.2 %	70.0 %	64.2 %	61.7 %	41.0 %	49.4 %
<b>Black, Hispanic</b>	41.7	70.2	14.3	22.6	26.1	37.6	37.6
<b>Hispanic</b>	11.9	13.7	12.5	12.0	9.4	20.5	12.1
<b>Other/multiple races</b>	1.6	1.0	3.2	1.3	2.8	0.9	0.9
<b>Age</b>							
<b>Under 18</b>	0.3 %	0.3 %	2.6 %	0.8 %	1.1 %	0.9 %	0.9 %
<b>18-24</b>	3.5	3.5	21.6	13.6	12.8	25.6	10.9
<b>25-34</b>	11.9	24.1	31.7	32.2	25.6	17.1	18.6
<b>35-44</b>	28.5	43.5	29.1	31.9	31.1	29.1	30.4
<b>45-54</b>	35.1	23.5	11.7	19.1	23.3	18.8	25.7
<b>55 or older</b>	20.7	5.1	3.3	2.5	6.1	8.5	13.6

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Characteristic	Average annual mortality rate per 100,000 local jail inmates, by cause of death, 2000-2005						
	Illness	AIDS	Suicide	Drug/alcohol intoxication	Accident	Homicide	Other/unknown
<b>Total</b>	68	8	45	10	4	3	9
<b>Gender</b>							
<b>Male</b>	68	8	46	9	5	3	8
<b>Female</b>	70	7	30	17	4	1	10
<b>Race/Hispanic origin</b>							
<b>White, non-Hispanic</b>	76	3	79	15	7	3	10
<b>Black, non-Hispanic</b>	71	14	16	6	3	3	8
<b>Hispanic</b>	48	6	33	7	2	4	6
<b>Age</b>							
<b>Under 18</b>	10	1	65	4	3	1	4
<b>18-24</b>	8	1	34	5	2	3	3
<b>25-34</b>	25	6	44	10	4	2	5
<b>35-44</b>	75	13	50	12	5	3	9
<b>45-54</b>	238	18	52	19	10	5	21
<b>55 or older</b>	634	18	66	11	13	11	49

Note: Jail inmate mortality rates are per 100,000 inmates held, based on average daily population (ADP). Inmate populations of various demographic subgroups are estimates based on the Annual Survey of Jails and the 2002 Survey of Inmates in Local Jails.

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Cause of death	Number of deaths in State juvenile correctional facilities				
	2002-2005	2002	2003	2004	2005
All causes	43	13	10	11	9
Suicide	21	7	3	10	1
Illness	10	3	2	1	4
AIDS	0	0	0	0	0
Homicide	5	0	3	0	2
Accident	2	1	0	0	1
Drug/alcohol intoxication	0	0	0	0	0
Other/unknown	5	2	2	0	1

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Cause of death	Percent of deaths in State juvenile correctional facilities				
	2002-2005	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>All causes</b>	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
<b>Suicide</b>	46.5 %	53.8 %	30.0 %	90.9 %	11.1 %
<b>Illness</b>	24.2	23.1	20.0	9.1	44.4
<b>AIDS</b>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Homicide</b>	13.1	0.0	30.0	0.0	22.2
<b>Accident</b>	4.7	7.7	0.0	0.0	11.1
<b>Drug/alcohol intoxication</b>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Other/unknown</b>	11.6	15.4	20.0	9.0	11.1

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Characteristic	Number of deaths in State juvenile correctional facilities				
	2002-2005	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Total</b>	43	13	10	11	9
<b>Gender</b>					
<b>Male</b>	38	11	10	10	7
<b>Female</b>	5	2	0	1	2
<b>Race/Hispanic origin</b>					
<b>White, non-Hispanic</b>	16	6	1	4	5
<b>Black, non-Hispanic</b>	18	4	6	4	4
<b>Hispanic</b>	6	2	2	2	0
<b>Other/multiple races</b>	3	1	1	1	0
<b>Age</b>					
<b>10 or younger</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>11-12</b>	2	0	0	1	1
<b>13-15</b>	8	4	1	1	2
<b>16-17</b>	29	8	9	8	4
<b>18 or older</b>	4	1	0	1	2

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Characteristic	Percent of deaths in State juvenile correctional facilities				
	2002-2005	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Total</b>	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
<b>Gender</b>					
<b>Male</b>	88.4 %	84.6 %	100.0 %	90.9 %	77.8 %
<b>Female</b>	11.6	15.4	0.0	9.1	22.2
<b>Race/Hispanic origin</b>					
<b>White, non-Hispanic</b>	37.2 %	46.2 %	10.0 %	36.4 %	55.6 %
<b>Black, non-Hispanic</b>	41.9	30.8	60.0	36.4	44.4
<b>Hispanic</b>	14.0	15.4	20.0	18.2	0.0
<b>Other/multiple races</b>	7.0	7.7	10.0	9.1	0.0
<b>Age</b>					
<b>10 or younger</b>	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
<b>11-12</b>	4.7	0.0	0.0	9.1	11.1
<b>13-15</b>	18.6	30.8	10.0	9.1	22.2
<b>16-17</b>	67.4	61.5	90.0	72.7	44.4
<b>18 or older</b>	9.3	7.7	0.0	9.1	22.2

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**Table 5. Number of deaths in State juvenile correctional facilities, by State, 2002-2005**

Region	Number of deaths in State juvenile correctional facilities				
	2002-2005	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>All States</b>	43	13	10	11	9
<b>Northeast</b>	2	0	1	1	0
Massachusetts	2	0	1	1	0
<b>Midwest</b>	12	6	1	4	1
Illinois	3	1	0	2	0
Kansas	1	1	0	0	0
Michigan	3	3	0	0	0
Missouri	1	0	0	1	0
North Dakota	1	0	0	1	0
Ohio	2	0	1	0	1
South Dakota	1	1	0	0	0
<b>South</b>	20	4	5	5	6
Arkansas	2	1	0	0	1
District of Columbia	1	0	0	0	1
Florida	4	1	2	0	1
Georgia	4	1	1	0	2
Louisiana	3	0	1	1	1
Maryland	1	1	0	0	0
North Carolina	1	0	0	1	0
Tennessee	1	0	0	1	0
Texas	3	0	1	2	0
<b>West</b>	9	3	3	1	2
Arizona	3	2	1	0	0
Colorado	1	0	0	/	1
Idaho	3	1	2	0	0
Nevada	1	0	0	0	1
Oregon	1	0	0	1	0

Note: Only States that reported at least one death are shown. California did not report data in 2004 or 2005, Colorado did not report data in 2004, and Rhode Island did not report data in 2005.

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Characteristic	All causes	Illness	Suicide	Homicide	Accident	Other/ unknown
<b>Total</b>	43	10	21	5	2	5
<b>Gender</b>						
<b>Male</b>	38	9	17	5	2	5
<b>Female</b>	5	1	4	0	0	0
<b>Race/Hispanic origin</b>						
<b>White, non-Hispanic</b>	16	3	8	2	0	3
<b>Black, non-Hispanic</b>	18	6	5	3	2	2
<b>Hispanic</b>	6	1	5	0	0	0
<b>Other/multiple races</b>	3	0	3	0	0	0
<b>Age</b>						
<b>10 or younger</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>11-12</b>	2	0	1	0	0	1
<b>13-15</b>	8	1	5	1	0	1
<b>16-17</b>	29	8	14	3	1	3
<b>18 or older</b>	4	1	1	1	1	0

Note: During 2002-2005, no deaths from either AIDS or drug/alcohol intoxication were reported by State juvenile correctional authorities.

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Characteristic	All causes	Illness	Suicide	Homicide	Accident	Other/ unknown
<b>Total</b>	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
<b>Gender</b>						
<b>Male</b>	88.4 %	90.0 %	81.0 %	100 %	100 %	100 %
<b>Female</b>	11.6	10.0	19.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Race/Hispanic origin</b>						
<b>White, non-Hispanic</b>	37.2 %	30.0 %	38.1 %	40.0 %	0.0 %	60.0 %
<b>Black, non-Hispanic</b>	41.9	60.0	23.8	60.0	100.0	40.0
<b>Hispanic</b>	14.0	10.0	23.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Other/multiple races</b>	7.0	0.0	14.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Age</b>						
<b>10 or younger</b>	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %
<b>11-12</b>	4.7	0.0	4.8	0.0	0.0	20.0
<b>13-15</b>	18.6	10.0	23.8	20.0	0.0	20.0
<b>16-17</b>	67.4	80.0	66.7	60.0	50.0	60.0
<b>18 or older</b>	9.3	10.0	4.8	20.0	50.0	0.0

Note: Detail may not add to total due to missing data. During 2002-2005, no deaths from either AIDS or drug/alcohol intoxication were reported by State juvenile correctional authorities.

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**Methodology****BJS Deaths in Custody Reporting Program (DCRP) – Local jail inmate death data**

The Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) began collecting inmate death records from jail jurisdictions nationwide in December 2000 to implement the Death in Custody Reporting Act of 2000 (PL 106-297). Data on inmate deaths were requested at the end of each calendar quarter (form CJ-9 for local jails, form CJ-10 for private or multi-jurisdictional jails). Jails were also asked to submit inmate population and admission counts at the end of each calendar year which allowed for the calculation of inmate mortality rates (forms CJ-9A and CJ-10A). As part of the yearend collection of population data, jails were asked for a yearend count of inmate deaths which were reconciled with quarterly reports to identify missing records. Jails with missing death records were asked to submit the records on a separate quarterly death report form.

Jails were instructed to report the death of any inmate in their custody, even if the inmate was held for other jurisdictions, such as the State department of corrections, another State or county, or the Federal government. Jails were also instructed to include the death of any inmate sent outside the jail facility for medical, mental health or substance abuse treatment services or for work-release programs. Deaths that occurred while an inmate was in transit to or from the jail facility were included. Deaths of jail inmates who were released on temporary furloughs or who had escaped the jail facility were excluded.

From the beginning of the collection in 2000, as agent for BJS, the Governments Division of the U.S. Census Bureau collected both the quarterly death records and the yearend collection of population and admissions data from all jail jurisdictions nationwide. If a final determination of cause of death could not be made at the time of reporting, respondents were asked to indicate that autopsy reports were pending. Jurisdictions with incomplete records were contacted again over the following 12 months to obtain final cause of death data. In each year (2000 through 2005), at least 99% of the more than 3,000 jail jurisdictions nationwide responded to the collection.

For local jail survey forms, see [Deaths in Custody survey questionnaires](#).

**BJS Deaths in Custody Reporting Program (DCRP) – State prisoner death data**

BJS began collecting inmate death records from State prison authorities nationwide in 2001 to implement the Death in Custody Reporting Act of 2000 (PL 106-297). State departments of correction were asked to submit a quarterly report of all deaths at the end of each calendar quarter. States were also asked to submit a quarterly summary count of deaths (form NPS-4) and an individual report of each inmate death (form NPS-4A). If a final determination of cause of death could not be made at the time of reporting, respondents were asked to indicate that autopsy reports were pending. Jurisdictions with incomplete records were contacted again over the following 12 months to obtain final cause of death data.

State prisons were instructed to report the deaths of any inmate in their custody, even if the inmate was held for other jurisdictions, such as a county jail, another State, or the Federal government. State prisoner death counts include the death of any inmate held in a private prison facility under contract to the State's department of correction. Deaths of inmates in private facilities were counted in the State that had jurisdiction over the inmate, not the State where the private facility was located.

State prisons were also instructed to include the death of any inmate sent outside the prison facility for medical, mental health or substance abuse treatment services or for work-release programs. Deaths that occurred while a State prisoner was in transit to or from the prison were included. Deaths of State prisoners who were released on temporary furloughs or who had escaped the prison facility were excluded. All execution deaths were excluded from the collection because capital punishment cases are already tracked under the National Prisoners Statistics

program.

This data collection was conducted by BJS staff during 2001 and 2002 and by data collection staff of Governments Division of the U.S. Census Bureau for BJS since 2003. In each year (2001 through 2005), all 50 State departments of correction responded to the collection. The District of Columbia submitted data for its prison population until transferring all of their custody operations to the Federal Bureau of Prisons during 2001. Federal prisons are not covered by PL 106-297 and these tables do not include mortality data on Federal prisoners.

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### **BJS Deaths in Custody Reporting Program (DCRP) – Juvenile residential facilities death data**

BJS began collecting juvenile death records from State juvenile correctional administrators in 2002 to implement the Death in Custody Reporting Act of 2000 (PL 106-297). The respondents were asked to submit a quarterly report (NPS-5) which listed a summary count of all deaths at the end of each calendar quarter. Respondents also submitted an NPS-5A addendum form for a death in a juvenile facility containing detailed information about both the deceased juvenile and the death event. If a final determination of cause of death could not be made at the time of reporting, respondents were asked to indicate that the autopsy report was pending. Jurisdictions with incomplete records were contacted again over the following 12 months to obtain final cause of death data.

The NPS-5/5A questionnaires were developed after consultation with the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), members of the Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrators (CJCA), and selected practitioners in the juvenile justice field. Since its inception in 2002, BJS staff has conducted this data collection. In 2002 and 2003, respondents from all 50 States and the District of Columbia submitted data to the collection. For 2004 and 2005, 48 States and the District of Columbia participated in the collection.

Only State-run juvenile correctional facilities are covered in these reports. County, municipal, private and non-profit juvenile detention facilities are not included. State juvenile correctional administrators were instructed to report the death of any youth in their custody, even if the youth was held for other jurisdictions, such as a county jail, another State, or the Federal government. State juvenile correctional administrators were also instructed to include the death of any youth sent outside the facility for medical, mental health or substance abuse treatment services or for other programs. If a youth died while in transit to or from the facility, the death was included in the collection.

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